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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In the application of

WILLIAM FISHER *et al.*

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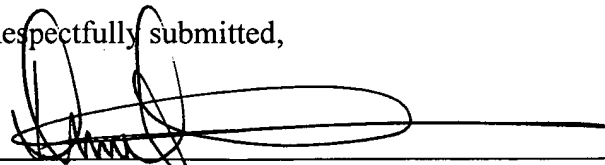
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Respectfully submitted,



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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed July 18, 2005, the Applicants, through their attorney,
respond as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of
this paper.

Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.